GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:28
ANSWERED ON:02.12.2004
PRODUCTION COST OF PETROL, KEROSENE, DIESEL AND LPG
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the basic production cost of petrol, diesel, kerosene and LPG in the country is less than that of the cost of the imported one;

(b) if so, the assessment of the Government in this regard;

(c) the basic production cost of the above mentioned product during 2004-05 from April to September; and

(d) the difference of costs and average cost of these products in the international market during the above mentioned period ?

Answer

MINISTER OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS AND PANCHAYATI RAJ (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR)

(a) to (d) : A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.28 BY SHRI RAMJI LAL SUMAN TO BE ANSWERED ON 2ND DECEMBER 2004 REGARDING PRODUCTION COST OF PETROL, KEROSENE, DIESEL & LPG.

(a) to (d): Oil refining is a continuous process and the cost of refining of individual petroleum products is not worked out separately because all products are produced together. The details of average production cost of select public sector refineries during April - September 2004 are at Annex.

At present, the Oil Marketing Companies pay to the domestic refineries the import parity prices of petrol, diesel, kerosene and LPG. The average refinery gate price of these products during April - September 2004 on import parity basis was as follows:

Product	Average refinery gate price (Rs./MT)
Petrol	Rs.21,293
Diesel	Rs.18,353
Kerosene	Rs.17,913
LPG	Rs.17,472

Annex

Average Production Cost per ton for all refined products taken together of select PSU refineries during April-September 2004 cost includes cost of crude refining cost including depreciation but no return on capital employed.

Refinery	(Rs/MT)
IOCL-	
-Guwahati	16722
-Barauni	16887
-Haldia	15590
-Mathura	14198
-Panipat	15022

CPCL 15625

BPCL 15664

KRL 16540

HPCL-

-Mumbai 15484
-Visakh 15617